REMARKS

The Office Action dated April 18, 2005, has been carefully reviewed and the foregoing election/restriction and amendment have been made in consequence thereof.

Applicants elected Invention I, Claims 1-19. Claims 20-41 have been canceled.

Claims 1-19 remain active in this application.

In view of the foregoing remarks and amendments, it is believed that Claims 1-19 in this application are allowable and Notice to that effect is respectfully solicited.

Should the Examiner wish to contact Applicants' attorney regarding this application, the Examiner is respectfully invited to do so by calling or writing the undersigned in the Office of Counsel, U.S. Army Soldier Systems Center, Natick, MA 01760 at (508) 233-4510.

Respectfully submitted,

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